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Tuesday, 4 May 1999, 12.10 p.m.
New York

President:	Mr. Dangue Réwaka	(Gabon)
Members:	Argentina	Mr. Petrella
	Bahrain	Mr. Buallay
	Brazil	Mr. Patriota
	Canada	Mr. Fowler
	China	Mr. Shen Guofang
	France	Mr. Dejammet
	Gambia	Mr. Jagne
	Malaysia	Mr. Rastam
	Namibia	Mrs. Ashipala-Musavyi
	Netherlands	Mr. Hamer
	Russian Federation	Mr. Granovsky
	Slovenia	Ms. Pipan
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	Mr. Grainger
	United States of America	Mr. Burleigh

Agenda

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The meeting was called to order at 12.10 p.m.

Expression of thanks to the retiring President

The President (*spoke in French*): As this is the first meeting of the Security Council for the month of May, I should like to take this opportunity to pay tribute, on behalf of the Council, to His Excellency Mr. Alain Dejammet, Permanent Representative of France to the United Nations, for his service as President of the Security Council for the month of April 1999. I am sure I speak for all members of the Security Council in expressing deep appreciation to Ambassador Dejammet for the great diplomatic skill with which he conducted the Council's business last month.

Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

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The President (*spoke in French*): The Security Council will now begin its consideration of the item on its agenda.

In a letter dated 14 April 1999 addressed to the Secretary-General, the President of the Republic of Kiribati submitted the application of his country for membership in the United Nations. That letter has been circulated in document S/1999/477.

Under the provisions of rule 59 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Security Council, unless the Council decides otherwise, an application for membership shall be referred by the President of the Council to the Committee on the Admission of New Members. Accordingly, unless I hear a proposal to the contrary, I shall refer the application of the Republic of Kiribati to the Committee on the Admission of New Members for examination and report.

There being no objection, it is so decided.

The date for the meeting of the Committee on the Admission of New Members will be fixed by the President in consultations with the members of the Council.

The meeting rose at 12.15 p.m.